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For: SILICA-CONTAINING LAMINATED
STRUCTURE, AND COATING
COMPOSITION FOR USE IN FORMING A
POROUS SILICA LAYER

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PRELIMINARY REPLY

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.